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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN ATTEMPT TO RUSH THE BRITISH LINE.

AN ENTERPRISE WHICH HOPELESSLY FAILED.

Compulsory Service: a Strong Official Hint.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS OPPOSE WAR CREDIT.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph"]

MR. ASQUITH'S SPEECH.

A WORD TO THE SLACKERS.

December 21, 7.05 p.m.
The deepest interest was manifested in Mr. Asquith's speech in the House of Commons. The galleries were crowded and Lord Derby and Sir John Fisher sat above the clock.

Mr. Asquith stated that the men from Anzac would, after a much-needed rest, proceed to a new theatre of war. He paid a warm tribute to General Maunro and General Birdwood, and, passing to the Western front, to Field Marshal Viscount French and General Sir Douglas Haig. He expressed appreciation of Lord Derby's efforts and spoke of the response from all parts of the Empire, which, he said, was a commentary on the lethargy shown by some at home. Let the hang-over back, said Mr. Asquith, seize the opportunity even now and follow the example patriotically set by the great mass of the country.

Mr. Asquith said he hoped the Paris Conference would lead to greater concentration of purpose, co-ordination of plans, and common energy and effectiveness of action. There had been in this war an abundance of errors and miscalculation, but these were not confined to our side. The Allies had never wavered for a moment, and now the fighting forces, both in men and material, were becoming more ample in quantity every month and were better mobilized and organized for campaigning.

SIR EDWARD CARSON'S CRITICISM.

December 22, 3.35 a.m.
The House of Commons continued its sitting all night. Sir Edward Carson said the only criticism he had to make was that the vote came too late and was not large enough. He declared that trade must spare the necessary men, and, referring to Mr. Redmond's speech, said he did not believe that Ireland would hesitate to join in whatever measures were necessary to finish the war.

WHAT BRITAIN HAS DONE.

Mr. Runciman said that we could only pay for munitions produced abroad by safeguarding our exports, and unless the latter were kept up we should damage the cause of the Allies as much as if we failed to put another million men in the field. It was easy to under-estimate Britain's war burden, but if we had not cleared the German cruisers off the seas, the Allies would not have lasted six months. Moreover, where would the Allies have been without British credit behind them, and the British industries which had been maintained in a state of efficiency?

AMERICA AND AUSTRIA.

A SECOND NOTE.

December 22, 1.30 p.m.
A message from Washington states that the second United States Note to Austria concerning the sinking of the Ancona is very brief. It declares that the admission by the Austrian Admiralty that the liner was torpedoed after she was stopped, while passengers were still aboard, alone justifies the American demands, and concludes by saying that the continued good relations between the two countries depends on the action of Austria.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

COMPULSORY SERVICE.

MR. ASQUITH'S POINTED HINT.

December 22, 1.20 a.m.
In the House of Commons, after a long succession of speakers arguing for and against compulsion, Mr. Tennant said Mr. Asquith had indicated that if certain conditions as regards recruiting were not fulfilled, the steps taken in the past might have to be substituted by others, and the Government might have to ask for further powers. Mr. Tennant said that he did not wish to forebode what those powers would be, but the Government should feel that in asking for those powers they had behind them not only a vast majority in the House of Commons, but also of the people outside. Mr. Tennant appealed to the Nationalists to throw in their lot with the Government in their efforts to bring the war to the only possible termination conceivable.

GERMAN WAR CREDITS.

OPPOSED BY SOCIALISTS.

December 23, 7.35 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam states that the Reichstag has approved the third reading of the war credit of \$500,000,000, a number of Socialists voting against it. The House adjourned until January 11.

In the course of the debate, a statement on behalf of the Socialist Party was read, regretting the lack of response to its approaches to the workers of other countries with a view to restoring peace in Europe, which they so eagerly desired. The statement declared that it was the duty of Germans to continue the war, but it insisted on an adequate maintenance of the families of soldiers and the feeding of the poor, and protested against the plans of conquest.

Herr Edert said he hoped every chance would be seized to negotiate for peace.

Herr Geyer, on behalf of nineteen Socialists, said the German politicians who were working for annexation were the greatest obstacles to peace negotiations. Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg in his speech on the 9th inst. supported this dangerous policy, and therefore Herr Geyer and his comrades refused to vote for the war credits.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

GERMANS SUFFER HEAVILY.

December 23, 7.35 a.m.
The Press Bureau issues a report from Headquarters which states that there were bombing engagements last evening about the quarries north of Loos and a considerable enemy fusillade opposite Arras, where some mine craters are being disputed. There was also considerable hostile shelling to the north of Loos and about Ypres, we retaliating.

The enemy artillery was to-day active in some places but our guns retaliated effectively. The enemy on two occasions made attempts to occupy craters opposite Arras, but both attacks were repulsed after stubborn bombing contests, during which the enemy exposed himself freely and lost heavily.

GERMAN SURPRISE EFFORT FAILS.

December 22, 4.00 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at the British Headquarters, in describing Sunday's German failure north-east of Ypres, says it is clear that the Germans hoped to surprise us. At least, colour is lent to this view by their failure to press the infantry assault.

The attack was made early in the morning, when least resistance might have been expected. Soon gas was seen coming, and our artillery put a shrapnel and high explosives into it in order to scatter the columns which might have been massed behind. However, the German rush was spent before it reached the parapet. A deafening artillery duel followed.

When the fog of debris had been cleared, two spacious craters were revealed near the Ypres-Arras railway line, and, like swarms of insects, tiny green figures were seen wriggling thither, but they steadily melted before the fusillade of rifle and machine-gun fire without getting closer. Finally, the British occupied the craters.

The correspondent adds that our bombers have been increasingly active and daring, and this form of warfare is frankly disastrous to the enemy. The individual superiority of our men over the steadily deteriorating enemy is daily becoming more marked.

AMERICAN SECURITIES.

A BRITISH INVITATION.

December 23, 7.35 a.m.
An invitation to sell or lend American securities to the Government is gazetted. The wording of the announcement appears to indicate that the amount at present required is already largely assured by tenders from Insurance and Trust Companies.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

CAPTURED BRITISHERS.

A MATTER FOR PERSIA.

December 23, 7.35 a.m.
In the House of Commons, Lord Robert Cecil, in reply to Sir E. Cornwall, said it had been decided to leave the question as to how the release of the Britishers captured at Shiraz can be secured to the Persian Government. We, however, should carefully watch any developments.

BRITISH SUBMARINE'S GOOD WORK.

December 23, 7.35 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that a British submarine sank the German steamer *Herce* and other craft in the Sea of Marmora.

BOMBARDMENT OF VARNA.

SIXTEEN RUSSIAN TRANSPORTS WAITING.

December 23, 7.35 a.m.
It is learned from diplomatic sources that Russian squadrons are bombarding Varna and that there are sixteen transports full of troops in the offing.

THE ANZAC EVACUATION.

AUSTRALIANS TAKE IT CALMLY.

December 22, 2.20 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne states that the withdrawal of the troops from Anzac has not shaken the determination of the Australians to see the war through.

The Premier, Mr. Hughes, says:—"Australia will be in the war till victory is final, complete and overwhelming for the Allies. The evacuation serves to spur our resolute purpose."

Reuter's correspondent at Wellington telegraphs that Mr. Massey, the Premier, says it is better to face the position and be done with it than to proceed with an enterprise which is commonly believed to be an error of judgment. He deprecated criticism and animosity and urged the necessity of presenting a united front to the enemy.

FRENCH NATIVE ARMY.

(Havas Telegram.)

December 20.
The President of the French Republic yesterday signed a Decree authorizing the natives of the French Colonies and Dependencies to contract an engagement for 18 years in a Corps of the Army determined by the Secretary of War and outside their Colony. This Decree is to be put into force in Indo-China, Madagascar, Central Africa, Somaliland Coast, New Caledonia and Oceania.

In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ARMY ESTIMATE.

MR ASQUITH'S IMPORTANT SPEECH.

December 21, 5.10 p.m.
In the House of Commons, after animated discussion, Mr. Asquith moved an estimate for an additional million men and announced that, at the end of sixteen months, Britain had a fighting force of one and a quarter millions in the various theatres of war. He emphasized that the total casualties in the Dardanelles withdrawal were three wounded, one of whom was a naval casualty (Obers). He said that General Sir William Robertson had been recalled from France and made Chief of the Imperial Staff in place of General Sir Archibald Murray, who is about to receive an important command. Turning to the question of men Mr. Asquith pointed out that the wastage was enormous, consequently they should aim at getting every man of military age who was physically qualified. They should also increase the aggregate fighting force consistent with national necessities. He regretted that he was unable to give the results of Lord Derby's scheme. He reiterated the pledge given to married men. Mr. Asquith went on to intimate that the British troops remained at Beldel Bahr, where the naval and military forces commanded the entrance to the Straits. Reluctantly they had left Anzac, where the Australians had won undying fame, but everything had been brought off except some stores and six guns, which were destroyed. He then dwelt upon the vast importance of the Allied War Conference in Paris, at which most important conclusions were reached with absolute unanimity. All the Allies, he said, were determined to persist in the effort to win the war. He remarked that for the present the campaign might seem to be against us, but everything was growing steadily on our side.

ESTIMATES PASSED WITHOUT DIVISION.

December 22, 6.00 a.m.
After an all night sitting the House of Commons voted the Army estimate without dividing.
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TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

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South China Morning Post.

War's Machinery.

No more eloquent testimony to the resourcefulness of the British people has ever been uttered than that contained in the statement made in the House of Commons this week by Mr. Lloyd George. If Germany's successes in the war have been due to the tardiness of the Allies in organising and developing their mechanical resources, the fault, once recognised and brought home to the people, has been remedied in a manner which reads more like a fairy tale than actual fact. But fact it is, and our munition position to-day, when compared with that of the enemy, is reversed from hopeless inferiority to one of marked superiority. The national factories created by the Ministry and controlled by prominent business men have proved a conspicuous success and are coping with the prodigious expenditure of munitions in a degree hitherto undreamed of.

Deaths.

The Late Sir Thomas Jackson. The news was received in the Colony yesterday with very sincere regret that Sir Thomas Jackson, Bart., died suddenly in London on the 21st instant. The deceased gentleman was probably the greatest financier which this Colony has ever known. It was at a time of great commercial depression, when several big business banks failed, that the fortune of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation was committed to his care. Despite his capital of two and a half millions dollars and his influential Directorate, the Bank had passed through many vicissitudes culminating in 1874-5 in its inability to pay a dividend. Mr. Jackson, as he was then, took control in 1875 and followed with unflinching energy and unwavering determination in the reconstruction of the institution. It became the pre-eminent institution of its kind in the Far East. He continued to act as Chief Manager until 1902—a period of twenty-six years—when he retired to England and accepted the position of Chairman of the London Committee. In that office the reserve fund was increased from \$250,000 to \$14,250,000—a splendid monument to his able management.

American Killed in Mexico. Los Angeles, November 11. Reports that Mr. W. S. Wootton, former Governor and member of Pasadena, California, has been assassinated in the territory of Tlaxcala, Mexico, were received by Los Angeles friends to-day. It was presumed that he was en route to Mexico.

For a goodly number of years, the Chinese have been known to the world as the most industrious and enterprising of nations.

GENERAL NEWS.

A Newspaper's Record.
Up to the end of October fifty-five employees of the *Hongkong Daily Press and Mail* were serving in the Navy or Army. This is a very large percentage of those of serviceable age; as the staff of about 350, a very considerable number are over forty years of age.

Ballot Frauds in America.
Pittsburgh, November 8.—The grand jury, which is investigating allegations of fraud and ballot-box tampering at the primary election here in September, today returned thirty-four indictments charging misfeasance and conspiracy against election officials in two wards, and others involved in the irregularities.

U. S. Republican National Committee.
Washington, December 15.—The Republican National Committee has decided to hold the next republican national convention, of which candidates for president and vice president are to be nominated, on Wednesday, June 7, 1916, at Chicago. The democratic national convention will be held at St. Louis, June 14.

Soldiers in the Philippines Not Permitted to Box.
As a result of an investigation by the army authorities, it is learned from a reliable source that General Barry has issued a letter to each company commander calling their attention to strictly enforce the order against soldiers fighting, and placing upon them the responsibility of following the rule to the letter.

The Philippine Constabulary Band.
Honolulu, December 15.—An immense throng, turned out to hear the constabulary band last night, which is en route for Manila on the transport *Sherman*, and which gave a special concert under the leadership of Captain Loving. Captain Loving is about to retire from the constabulary on account of physical disability.

Manila Bulletin.
Batangas in West China.
Omanau, November 22.—The British Consul, at the request of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs, has notified British and American subjects that owing to the present exceptional prevalence of influenza, again in Batangas, everybody should notify the Chinese authorities when they intend to travel or transport goods in order that proper protection may be afforded en route.

The King's New Dominions.
The Gilbert and Ellice Islands, in the Pacific Ocean, which already had been proclaimed British Protectorates have by the desire of the native Governments, been annexed to his Majesty's Dominions by Order in Council. The Order, which was approved at a meeting of the Privy Council was published in the London Gazette of November 12. There are sixteen islands in the Gilbert group and nine in the Ellice group. The Gilbert Islands were declared a Protectorate in May, 1892, and the Ellice Islands a Protectorate in September of the same year.

How Opium is Smuggled to Hongkong.
Calcutta, November 20.—On Friday, the Magistrate heard the case in which Koon Thai, a Chinese and intruding passenger by the s.s. *Kun Sang* for Hongkong, was arrested by Messrs. Mainland and Vallant of the Customs Preventive Force, for having in his possession five sacks of opium, without a pass or licence, concealed in a double-bottomed basket found in a dinghy when the accused was proceeding to the steamer lying off Chundulpat. The officers minutely examined all his luggage and when they came upon the basket, they noticed that the basket was rather thick and on probing it with a big nail, they got a strong smell of opium. They then tore open the case of the basket and found inside five sacks of opium. The Court ordered the accused and sentenced him to four months rigorous imprisonment.

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PLAGUE PREVENTION.

A Report of Interest to Hongkong.

Some idea of the good work which is being performed by the North Manchurian Plague Prevention Service may be gathered from the third annual report of Dr. Wu Lien Teh, its director and chief medical officer, says the *L. and C. Express*. Although there has been no severe outbreak of the dreaded disease since 1910-11, it is of the utmost importance that no precautions that it is possible to take should be neglected, and that the authorities should be fully prepared to take effective control in the event of an epidemic. Plague made its appearance during the past year in the southern provinces of China, in Japan, India, Siberia, Hongkong, Shanghai, and elsewhere, but Manchuria remained entirely free. This makes the fifth consecutive year in which the pest has not occurred throughout these Provinces. As Dr. Wu remarks, experience has proved that it is only by continually drawing attention to the advantages of a hygienic life among all classes of the community, especially women and children, by means of books, models, painted tracts, public lectures, accurate treatment in the hospitals, and that the people of China can be made to realise more quickly the aims and objects of modern preventive medicine. Prevention or control of a terrible disease like plague, says Dr. Wu, resolves itself largely into one of prevention of control or other epidemic diseases affecting mankind, in which education of the masses played a most important part. Provided the majority understand approximately the cause of plague and its method of transmission either by the rat flea or directly from person to person, they can take good care of themselves by observing simple rules. Dr. Wu notes with satisfaction in the published report of the China Medical Commission of the Rockefeller Foundation, issued as a result of several months' investigation into the state of medical affairs in China, that acknowledgment is made that the North Manchurian Plague Prevention Service is the first serious attempt made by the Chinese Government for placing the national public health service on a sound scientific basis under capable medical officers. Dr. Wu adds that if this pioneer work was allowed to extend its usefulness further south, they would be able to produce still more striking results in the saving of lives and an improved change in hygienic and sanitary conditions of the people.

It is satisfactory to learn that at the main hospital in Harbin excellent work has been done during the past year. Although the wards in the Plague Compound are empty, they are ready at all times for the reception of cases. Outbreaks reported now and then from various parts of the country emphasize, says Dr. Wu, the need of taking every precaution during the most unexpected

of times, and justifies the existence of the hospitals, not only as units of a comprehensive scheme for the prevention of plague, but also as bureaux of information on this and similar epidemic diseases. The Director in his second Annual General Report drew attention to the existence of outbreaks of epidemic diseases among cattle and horses in Manchuria, closely related to man, and asked for the appointment of a veterinary surgeon from abroad who could devote his time to the elucidation of the problem. At the instance of the Heilungkiang Government, such an appointment has been made in the person of Dr. Frank C. Herdberger, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine of the Kansas City College of Veterinary Medicine, U.S.A. As Dr. Wu observes, the appointment of a qualified veterinary surgeon to co-operate with him in dealing with pests affecting animals will be of far-reaching importance, because of the close relationship between man and the lower animals in the spread of certain epidemic diseases, such as plague, anthrax, trypanosomiasis (sleeping sickness), etc. The total appropriation for this work, amounting to nearly 10,000 roubles, is borne entirely by the Heilungkiang Government, and is a praiseworthy attempt to deal with the pests affecting valuable domestic animals. Another item of interest is that a museum has been fitted up in which are displayed plague specimens, all possible apparatus for dealing with an outbreak of plague, models of the principal sanitary appliances recommended for use in this country, pathological specimens which passed through the hands of the medical officers, mosquitoes, fleas, flies, and other insects associated with disease in the North and other interesting objects. At the laboratory, also, there are all the facilities for carrying on detailed bacteriological investigations. Finally, we may note that the war in Europe has affected the service in several directions. Owing to the extraordinary fall in the price of the rouble, a high exchange rate had to be paid for drugs, instruments, and other hospital requisites. Labour was also unusually dear, and in consequence it was necessary to economise in every way possible. For this reason, the building of a new block containing the bacteriological laboratory, operating rooms, and quarters for resident medical officers, the present ones being too cold in winter, had to be postponed. Notwithstanding, Dr. Wu Lien Teh is to be congratulated upon the success and efficiency of the service which owes so much to his own industry and zealous work.

Chartered Bank at Peking.

The new premises of the Chartered Bank at Peking are now completed. The branch will be formally opened on Wednesday the 29th instant, when a large number of visitors are said to be present to congratulate the manager, Mr. Lacey, on the auspicious occasion.

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MARRIAGE.

McCULLAGH-JOHNSTONE.—On Saturday December 12, at the Wesley Church Singapore, W. D. McCullagh of the Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation to Miss Edith daughter of the late W. J. Johnstone and Mrs. Johnstone of Belfast.

DEATHS.

BEAMISH.—On 1st November, suddenly, in London, John Spread Hamilton Beamish, Lieutenant 3rd King's Shropshire Light Infantry, youngest son of the late Rear-Admiral H. H. Beamish, C.B., aged thirty-eight.

MURRAY.—On 1st December, in England, George Comyn Murray of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
LLOYD.—On the morning of the 13th inst., at Cairnhill Cottage, Singapore, Patrick Francis Lloyd, son of Mr. J. T. Lloyd, Singapore, aged 25 years. R.I.P.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1915.

THE INDENTURED LABOUR QUESTION AGAIN.

The leading feature of the average Reuter cable concerning Indian affairs is that it has no earthly interest for people this side of Rangoon or Colombo. Yesterday, however, the happy exception came through, in the form of a statement made by Mr. Austin Chamberlain in reply to a question as to whether the Raj had recommended the abolition of the indentured labour system. This matter closely concerns every man who holds rubber shares and most men who are interested in mining, as well as—more indirectly—all persons connected with the hiring of contract coolies, whether Chinese, Japanese, Indian or Javanese.

Mr. Chamberlain's reply is as satisfactory as could be expected under the circumstances. Definiteness on such a matter could hardly be looked for at a time when every public matter, however important in normal times, becomes quite secondary unless it has a more or less direct bearing on the war. The Secretary of State for India said that he had recently received a communication from the Raj dealing with the "objections to and disadvantages of" the present system under which labour went from India to the Colonies "and suggesting a possible solution of these difficulties." Mr. Chamberlain added that "matters were still only at a preliminary stage and that he would be unable to make a definite statement for some time. When that statement comes we shall like to see it; and we shall also be curious to learn what form the Government of India's possible solution of the difficulties" is likely to take.

Hitherto the feeling in planting and mining circles has been that the indentured coolie system is an evil, but an absolutely necessary evil. Every person in Hongkong who employs men from another country is faced with this contract question in one form or another. The men employed must be more or less taken on trust, and may turn out well or ill or neither the one nor the other; their fare has to be paid and sometimes an "advance" as well—the employer taking the risk as to whether the employed is likely or not to refuse to carry out his contract on his arrival or after a few days or weeks of trial. Thus the mining and estate companies should find sympathisers in it, and other colonies. The main complaint laid against the contract system is that it leaves the coolie (or other employee, for that matter) tied to a definite term of service, whether he likes his work or not. Everyone recognises that difficulty, but no one has hitherto offered a satisfactory solution of it. Indian or Chinese coolies engaged for, e.g. the Malay States, cost the estate or mine managers roughly a hundred dollars apiece, only a small portion of which (advances) will be repaid by the coolie. Obviously every bad worker, every runaway and every invalid is thus a distinct monetary loss to the shareholders, for we know of no case wherein an unsatisfactory man has offered to refund passage etc. What then would be the loss if the indentured labour system were entirely abolished? Under those circumstances coolies could be insubordinate or idle, or could frankly strike work and take themselves off and the shareholders would have no remedy. While we see no reasonable substitute for the contract system we fully recognise that the Government of any colony where coolies are working on such terms has it in its power to see that full justice is done both to employer and to labourer. If a system of surprise visits to mines and estates were arranged—visits from joint boards of natives and European Government officials—pieces of tyranny on the one hand and insubordination on the other could speedily be acquired into and dealt with. If the coolies came freely and fairly, and that any deliberate offences on their part would be severely dealt with, it seems to us that the system would be a great improvement on the present one.

The New Brown.

If we were inclined to give credence to one half of the reports which hail from Peking concerning the new programme to be followed by the Chinese Government after the establishment of the monarchy, we should most certainly attach a far greater significance to the change in the Constitution than we now do. But it is characteristic of official China to herald the approach of a new regime by a flourish of trumpets and the announcement of an imposing list of intended reforms. We have become quite accustomed to that kind of thing now. Hence we may say, without appearing hypercritical, that we prefer to accept with a very large grain of salt the statement which appears in the Peking newspapers that among the measures to be enforced in the near future are laws to provide for conscription and for compulsory education. The former, we are told, is to be enforced at so early a date as January 1 next, while three months later the latter reform is to be put into operation.

Still Far Off.

Who is responsible for the circulation of such absurd stories as these, one would like to know. But they are soberly printed in reputable newspapers and no doubt their appearance pleases somebody, even though they are believed by no one. As ideals to be attained they are all right, but China at the present moment has not the money nor the inclination to put either of these proposals into operation. This, of course, is by no means the first occasion on which these good old hardy maxims have been trotted out. We heard all about them when the "Reynolds" was inaugurated and have periodically been treated to the revival of the theme many times since. But neither compulsory mental training nor compulsory military training are any nearer enforcement now than they ever were. And no one with an ounce of brain will give a moment's thought to the likelihood of a miraculous transformation being effected simply because there is to be a change and a very superficial one at that—in the form of government. May be the whole explanation of these fanciful reports lies in the desire of some wily official to have in the dim future, the fact ascribed to his foresight that he contemplated such schemes long before they were actually adopted.

Pure Food.

Laws to safeguard the purity of food are necessary everywhere if the health of the public is to be maintained, but nowhere are such laws more useful than in Hongkong, where so much of our food supply comes to us through Chinese hands. It is with this point in mind that we have so often urged the desirability of the authorities keeping a close watch on the purveyors of life. Compared with any moderate-sized town at home, the number of prosecutions made under the Food and Drugs Act in Hongkong is extremely small—far smaller than it ought to be, in fact. For once in a way there was a case at the Police Court yesterday, a Chinese milk dealer being brought before Mr. Wood in connection with the presence of a certain quantity of boric acid in the milk he was selling. With the merits of the case we are not at the moment concerned, but we certainly have something to say regarding the charge which led to the charge being dismissed. The defence contended that the presence of the acid might have been due to the use of bottles which were not thoroughly cleaned by those taking the sample, and his Worship paid sufficient heed to this probability to discharge the defendant. In these cases one would have thought that the first duty of those taking samples would be to see that absolutely clean bottles are used. It is, in fact, scandalous that a prosecution should fall through because such an elementary precaution as this was not taken. We can only hope that this is the last instance we shall hear of this sort of thing. Somebody is seriously to blame in the matter.

DAY BY DAY.

A SEVERAL PRESS IS THE SYMBOL OF A SEVERAL NATION.—The Evening News.

The Weather.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 47; fine.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 55; fine.

The Mails.
Siberian Mail.—Due to-morrow per a.v. Anhui.
Canadian and Siberian Mails.—Closed to-day per a.v. Yokohama 11 a.m.
Siberian Mail.—Closed to-day per a.v. Shanghai 3 p.m.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 7/10 15/16.

To-morrow's Anniversaries.
To-morrow is the 52nd anniversary of Thackeray's death and the 77th birthday of Lord Molesey.

For the Tommies.
We have received a sum of \$11 collected for the Allied Cigarette and Tobacco Fund by "Sympathisers."

Voyage Report.

The a.v. Empire, which arrived from Australia to-day, reports having encountered heavy north-east monsoon on the run up from Manila.

Gold Watch Stolen.

It has been reported to the Police by the assistant commissioner of the a.v. Taisian that on the night of December 21 some person stole from the top of the safe in the proprietor's room a gold watch, valued \$400.

C. N. Co. Bonus.

The China Navigation Company has decided to give a bonus of 15 per cent. to its officers, the bonus to be calculated on the basis of salaries from July up to the end of this month. A bonus for the year ended July 31, 1915, has already been given.

A Long Chase.

It was stated in a case this morning, before Mr. Hazeland, in which a Chinese was charged with stealing a piece of beef, that a chase for over a mile took place before the man was caught. The defendant, who had a number of previous convictions against him, was sentenced to two months' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

Christmas Social.

Promoted by Mrs. Macdonald, a Christmas Social was held in connection with the Union Church Guild last evening, and the programme, which was of a varied character, was contributed to by the following:—Mrs. Lyle, Misses Rayner and Macdonald, Messrs. W. L. Handyside and E. R. Dovey (chorus) Mrs. D. Wood, Mrs. Lyle, and Mr. Handyside (songs), Miss Mitchell and Mr. T. Macdonald (piano solo), and Mr. A. Hughes (Hon. Secretary of the Guild), reading. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

Italian Convent School.

There was a large attendance at the annual prize distribution held in connection with the Italian Convent School yesterday afternoon (reported in last night's issue). His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni, president, and there were also present:—Lady May, Mr. R. Ponsonby (Private Secretary to the Governor), Lady Rees Davies, the Right Rev. Bishop Pozzoni, the Portuguese Consul and Miss. d'Obaldia, Mr. Bona (of the Italian Consulate), Mr. and Mrs. E. Balphs, Rev. Father Gabardi, Rev. Father Novati, Rev. Father Zamponi, Rev. Father de Maria, and Brother Aimer (Brother Director of Joseph's College).

TO SHIPPING MEN.

The U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey has published its first number of "Notice to Mariners," dated at Manila, December 2, 1915. This is especially compiled for the Philippine Islands and is furnished free to mariners. Masters and others interested are requested to send reports of dangerous changes in aids to navigation, and other information affecting Philippine charts and sailing directions to the Director of Coast Survey at Manila. Copies of these notices are on file for inspection at the Harbour Office and the American Consulate General.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

IN THE BALKANS.

Still Recruiting.

Talk of recruiting is as much in the foreground as ever in Parliament, and the latest development of the situation is more or less clearly told in speeches or remarks by the Premier, Mr. John Redmond, Mr. H. J. Tennant and the new Member for Merthyr, Mr. Stanton. Mr. Asquith still does not see his way to disclosing the enlistment figures for some unexplained reason; Mr. John Redmond declares that the Irish Party will oppose compulsion "under present conditions," while Mr. H. J. Tennant tells the House that "if certain conditions in regard to recruiting are not fulfilled," Mr. Asquith has intimated that "the steps taken in the past might have to be substituted by others, and the Government might have to ask for further powers." This intimation is a little puzzling, for it is scarcely a week since we were told that Lord Derby's scheme had proved an unqualified success. If this latter be indeed the case, why the holding back of the figures, and why the talk of "if certain conditions are not fulfilled"? After the sixteen months of hard work that the Premier has put in, it seems ungracious to cavil at his sayings or doings; yet who that looks facts in the face can fail to see constant traces of the wobbling and indecision and semi-concealment, so dear to the Radical heart, in his various actions?

"Hypocritical Nonsense."

As a set-off, it is refreshing to read the outspoken remarks of the new Member for Merthyr, Mr. Stanton. Mr. Asquith's successor, whatever his politics may be, the new man seems to be one who has no time for shilly-shallying and humbug. He gets down to facts immediately. If the country is good enough to live in, he urges, it is good enough to fight for; and that is really the beginning and the end of the entire situation. Mr. Stanton's remarks should do a million times more good than all the half-promises, half-disclosures and half-suppressions that we have been treated to of late. He is in favour of concentrating all interest and all force on the one central point: that we are out to smash Germany, for good and for all. Talk will not do that, nor will the mere ventilation of private views, grievances and scruples. True, it will not be pleasant, in years to come, for us Britons to have to reflect that circumstances ever justified such observations as Mr. Stanton's "if people did not volunteer they must be fetched." The miserable part of the business is that circumstances have justified it, and that there is no getting behind the very solid fact that, while one set of Britons are giving their blood so generously for King and Empire, there is another set that are "not to put too fine a point on it"—too mean or too cowardly to volunteer. Unfortunately the latter set (happily they are in the minority) would probably be worse than useless were they forced into the field. By way of a start, why does not the Government, on pain of imprisonment with hard labour for the duration of the war, make them perpetually wear a badge which will proclaim their cowardice to their neighbours?

The Balkans.

While the eternal arguments over the "neutrality" of Greece proceeds, news at last comes that the Russians have effected the long-promised landing at Varna. Here, again, greater frankness on the part of the authorities would have prevented much grumbling and many disappointments. The occupation of Varna was such a very obvious course for Russia to take, that only the gravest reasons could have held her back all this time. Surely the public could have been told these reasons—even as it could have been told why the hapless Serbians were kept waiting week after week for reinforcements that never came.

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of December 23, 1914.

Warning to Merchantmen.

It is officially announced that the Governor of Singapore has reason to believe the statement that the Ayeyar has been picked up by a collier to be incorrect. Merchant ships should still guard against the Ayeyar, especially while anchoring in unprotected harbours.

What the Germans are Doing in the East.

The adoption of a more restricted front by the Russians is due to the concentration of very great German forces on our front. German Supply Ships Captured. British warships near the Falkland Islands have captured the new Hamburg-America liners Baden and Santa Isabel, both of which had been acting as supply ships to the German fleet.

Relief of the Belgians in Belgium.

The peoples of New Zealand, Queensland and New South Wales have contributed one hundred thousand pounds for the relief of Belgians in Belgium who are suffering in consequence of the war.

The War and Unemployment.

The percentage of unemployment returned in the United Kingdom at the end of November was 2.9, as compared with 4.4 per cent. at the end of the previous month and 2.0 per cent. a year ago. In trades compulsorily insured against unemployment, such as shipbuilding, the percentage out of work is well below last year's figures. Last week it was 3.46, as against 4.21 a year ago. In Germany, despite the large number of men called to the colours and the quantity of Government work, the unemployed numbered more than ten per cent. as against 2.8 last year.

Loyal Message to the King from the New Sultan.

The Sultan of Egypt has addressed a telegram to H.M. the King, thanking his Majesty for his assurance of the co-operation and protection of Great Britain and expressing the resolution to devote himself to the progress and well-being of his people.

BROKERS AND PROPERTY OWNER.

Claim for Eight Hundred Dollars.

Chan Yang-sung, broker, 61, Des Voeux Road central, sued Yan Yek, 100c, Wanchai Road, for the sum of \$800, being the balance said to be due to plaintiff from the defendant under an agreement dated 1 September, 1915, in the Summary Court before Mr. Justice Gompertz, this morning.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for plaintiff and Mr. Gompertz represented the defendant. Mr. Otto Kong Sing said the plaintiff was a property broker, and, at the request of the plaintiff, he undertook a commission to sell for the defendant, who was a property broker, two houses in Wanchai Road at a fixed price of \$22,000 each. In the agreement it was stated that if there were any surplus over the \$2,000. That should be his. The order was only for two weeks. The plaintiff in the time found a purchaser who bought the property for \$23,000. Ultimately another broker was called in, and he received his commission.

Coolie Collector Charged.

A coolie employed by a Kowloon ricksha contractor to collect money from ricksha-drivers was charged before Mr. Wood this morning with absconding with \$10.80. Inspector Gordon stated that there was one collector for every ten rickshas, and another man to look after every ten collectors. The accused was remanded on bail of \$250.

NAVAL DOCKYARD.

Last Night's Smoking Concert.

A most enjoyable smoking concert was held last evening by the members of the Royal Naval Dockyard Police Mess, a good attendance gathering under the chairmanship of Inspector Chamberlain. The programme, which had again been arranged by Mr. W. Ward, was well sustained, several of the contributors being encouraged.

During the evening the presentation of prizes won in the recent Billiard Handicap took place, the following being the successful competitors:—

1. (Silver Cup).—Sergeant Small, K.S.L.I.
 2. (Wrist watch).—O.P. O. Adams, H.M.S. Tamar.
 3. (Silver mounted hair brush).—Mr. Canney, Naval Yard.
 4. (Silver mounted hair brush).—Sick Bay Steward Elery.
- Highest Break for non-prize winners.—Mr. Barnes, Naval Yard.

Highest score (cass).—Mr. Haigh, Sanitary Department.
Booby Prize. C.P.O. Hunkin H.M.S. Tamar.

Those who contributed to the programme were:—Messrs. Thomas and White (bango solo), James Corporal White (violin solo and songs), Mr. Lingfield (step dance and song), and Messrs. Huxley, Moss, Mackenzie, Ward, Perrin, Canney and Williams (songs). Mr. Dunn gave two excellent recitations. The accompaniments were played by Mr. Lowder.

FOOTBALL.

Staff and Departmentals v. Diocesan School.

The Staff had an easy win in their match against the Diocesan for Second Division League honours on the Naval ground yesterday afternoon. From the start, the soldiers pressed, and the school's defence was practically helpless against the fine combination shown by the soldiers, who seemed to do what they pleased with the leather, and soon the net was found. The school then tried hard, Rampham and Arculli doing some good work but they were not able to penetrate the soldiers' defence, and the leather was once more sent to the school's territory where another goal was registered, while a third came a little before the half-time whistle. In the second moiety, the school was strengthened by another player, the team playing one man short throughout the first half. This proved a little to their advantage and a better show was made, but still the soldiers were too strong and a fourth goal was soon registered. The play which followed was very even, the school making further time which were, as usual, easily checked by the soldiers' defence. The leather was again sent into the school territory, where several off-sides were given against the school, but these seemed of no particular value. A fifth goal soon came, and the soldiers then tried hard for a further score, the final whistle found them winners by five goals to love, Davies being responsible for no less than three.

THE EXTRADITION CASE.

Appeal Under Habeas Corpus.

To-morrow morning the Chief Justice and the Primate Judge will deliver judgment at the Full Court in the case of the appeal of King Shui-ling, who is seeking his release under Habeas Corpus in the extradition proceedings which have been occupying the attention of the Full Court for some time past. The Attorney General (Mr. J. H. Kemp), Mr. E. H. Sharpe, K.C., and Mr. P. G. Jenkin, appear for the Government. Mr. Elton Foster, assisted by Mr. Elton, is representing the defendant.

TELEGRAMS

OBITUARY.

Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."
London Received December 22.
The death is announced of Sir Thomas Jackson, formerly Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

SARAH BERNHARDT ILL.
London Received December 22.
Sarah Bernhardt, the famous actress, is reported to be seriously ill.

INGENUOUSLY CONCEALED OPIUM.

A Smart Capture at Kowloon.

The ingenious hiding of opium has been revealed many times in the Police Court during the past few weeks, but no more artful ruse has been struck than the one discovered at Kowloon Railway Station yesterday. When a man, who had purchased a ticket for Shek Lung, was being searched, 15 tins of opium were found packed in the dried entrails of a pig, these having been very cleverly placed in the padding of a quilted bed cover.

Inspector Gordon, who prosecuted when the man was brought before Mr. Hazeland this morning, said that the opium was very ingeniously concealed.

Mr. Hazeland ordered the man to pay \$1,000 or go to prison for two months with hard labour.

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THE LATE SIR THOMAS JACKSON

The imposing status of the late Sir Thomas Jackson who a death was announced yesterday, which is situated opposite the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank premises in Des Voeux Road, had two beautiful wreaths laid at its base this morning, the tributes coming from the officials and staff of the Bank by whom the late Sir Thomas was held in great regard and high esteem.

The Bank's flag has also been flown at half-mast all day.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral—6.45 a.m. The Holy Communion—7.45 a.m. The Holy Communion—Choral: The Bishop will be the Celebrant. 9.15 a.m. Military Service conducted by the Chaplain to the Forces. 11 a.m. Matins Preacher: Rev. H. Copley Moyle; Collection for the "Diocesan Girls' School." 12 noon. The Holy Communion.

At the Peak Church. 8 a.m. The Holy Communion. Carols will be sung during the Sunday evening December 25 after evensong at 5.45 p.m.

St. Peter's Church, West Point.—Christmas Day: 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Morning Prayer and sermon. Preacher: Rev. W. T. Featherstone. Sunday after Christmas: 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Morning Prayer. Christmas carols will be sung at this service.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

CHRISTMAS ORDERS

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DAIRY FARM TURKEYS,
GEESE, DUCKS,
CAPONS and CHICKENS
SHOULD BE BOOKED EARLY TO AVOID
DISAPPOINTMENT.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

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THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

MORE FRENCH SUCCESSES.

December 21, 4.55 p.m.
A Paris communique reports that the general offensive has been successful in minor operations, especially in the bombardment of German movements in Lorraine.

December 22, 1.30 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris a communique reports that bad weather has hampered the operations on a great part of the front; nevertheless the French artillery has been successful in dispersing enemy convoys. The French also successfully bombarded the enemy salient on Rupt height to the north of Fontenoy. A fine attack, following artillery preparation, enabled the French to occupy a considerable portion of the German works on Hartmann's Weilerkopf, capturing prisoners.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

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[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

FOR AGED SEAMEN.

Royal Alfred Aged Seamen's Institution,
55, Fenchurch Street,
London, E.C.

Christmas 1915.

Sir,—When one considers the truly great and heroic part British Merchant Seamen are taking in the War, their claim upon the generous consideration of all is unquestionably established.

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Contributions kindly directed to the Royal Alfred Institution at 55, Fenchurch Street, London, E.C., will be gratefully acknowledged by

Yours faithfully,
J. BAILEY WALKER,
Secretary.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. B. R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of January, 1916, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of Crown Land, one of Kennedy Road and South of L.L. 1216, Robinson Road respectively in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at Crown Rents to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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| 10. Roast Turkey and Cranberry Sauce | |
| 11. Roast Goose and Apple Sauce | 12. Roast Capon |
| 13. Boiled Potatoes | 14. Roast Potatoes |
| 15. French Beans | 16. Petit Pois |
| 17. Plum Pudding | 18. Mince Pie |
| 19. Stewed Pears and Cream | 20. Apple Pie |
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| 21. Gorgonzola Cheese | 22. Rochfort Cheese |
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| 24. Beetroot and Spring Onions | 25. Tea and Coffee |

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1 " Claret St. Julien	—	—	quart.
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1 " Whisky Perfection	—	—	quart.
1 " Port Wine Rich Old	—	—	quart.
1 " Claret St. Julien	—	—	quart.
1 " Sherry Vino de Porto	—	—	quart.
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bales raw silk, 75 rolls matting,
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tea-pots, Gibraltar, 2 cases silk
goods; Barcelona, 5 cases silk
goods, 1 case woodware; Milan, 1
bale waste silk; Marseilles, 41
bales raw silk, 200 bales waste
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Ship's Engineer's Quarrel.
Sydney Nov. 10.—When the
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Sydney for Fiji and Samoa yester-
day afternoon who was held up
owing to a dispute with the
engineers in connection with the
accommodation provided on
board for the engine-room staff.
The Atus hauled off into the
stream, where she anchored, and
at a late hour it was announced
that the matter had been satis-
factorily settled. The Atus pro-
ceeded to sea during the evening
after a delay of several hours.

China Coast Gazette.
Mr. R. G. E. Barrall, chief
officer, Quanta, has resigned.
Mr. J. B. B. Barrall, second officer,
Peking, is on leave.
Mr. G. E. Sawyer, from leave,
has gone second officer, Peking.
Mr. W. J. Andrews has been
appointed second officer, Anhui.
Mr. W. A. Dean, second officer,
Poyang, has gone second officer,
Shantung.

Captain Dillon, of the Peking,
is on leave.
Captain Purlow, of the Wen-
chow, has gone second officer, Peking.
Mr. D. H. Martin, chief officer,
Yingchow, has gone acting mas-
ter, Wenchow.

Mr. D. T. James, second officer,
Yingchow, has gone acting chief
officer, same ship.

Mr. E. Johnson has been ap-
pointed second officer, Yingchow.
Capt. H. S. Malkin, of the Peking,
has gone master, Fanning.

Mr. F. C. Perkins, acting
master, Fanning, has gone chief
officer, same ship.

Mr. F. L. Hotchin, from reserve,
has gone superannuated second
officer, Cheongsing.

Mr. C. W. Foster, from reserve,
has gone chief officer, Takung.
Captain T. H. Lehman, from
leave, has gone master, Wingang.

Mr. F. E. Jarrett, acting mas-
ter, Wingang, has gone chief
officer, Foching.

Mr. A. Cobb, chief officer,
Foching, has gone chief officer,
Loksang.

Mr. A. M. Short, from reserve,
has gone superannuated second
officer, Foching.

Mr. D. R. Kilbee has been ap-
pointed second officer, Chipping.
Mr. M. del Pan has been ap-
pointed second officer, Yuenang.

Mr. H. Ward, third officer,
Yuenang, has gone third officer,
Hinsang.

Mr. P. W. Matthews, from re-
serve, has gone acting chief
officer, Cheongsing.

Mr. Field-Hook, chief officer,
Cheongsing, is on leave.

Mr. W. C. Johnson, chief
officer, Takung, is on leave.
Mr. J. J. Hunt, second officer,
Hoping, has gone superannuated
second officer, Yuenang.

Mr. R. G. S. Barrall has been
appointed third officer, Kishin.
Mr. A. W. Hall, has been
appointed chief officer, Hong Moh.

Mr. G. Lewis has been ap-
pointed third officer, Hong Moh.
Mr. D. S. Harvey, chief officer,
Hye Leong, has resigned.

Mr. J. M. Mackay, second
officer, Hye Leong, has resigned.
Mr. A. Sorensen has been ap-
pointed boatswain, Kishin.
Mr. G. W. Ellis, chief officer,
Burrumbet, has resigned.

Mr. A. A. Birnie has been ap-
pointed chief officer, Burrumbet.
Mr. J. W. Duncan has been
appointed second officer, Burrum-
bet.
Captain A. Watson has been
appointed master, Upolo.—Ship-
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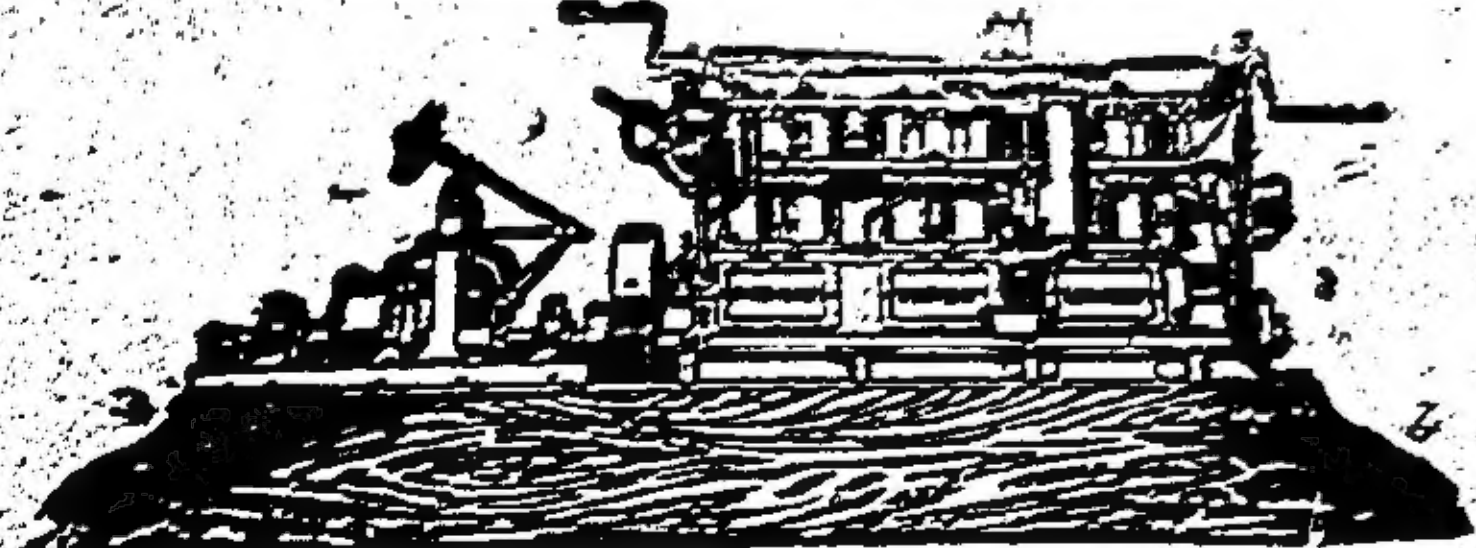
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Victoria, B.C. & Seattle	Ytham M.	N. Y. K.	23, Dec.
San Francisco via Manila & Japan & C.	Shiryo M.	T. K. K.	9, Dec.
San Francisco & American Ports	Kiyo M.	T. K. K.	8, Jan.
San Francisco	Arakan	J.C.J.L.	9, Jan.
Victoria, B.C. & Seattle etc.	Sado M.	N. Y. K.	11, Jan.
Boston & New York	Kathlambe	B. L. L.	15, Jan.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Chiyo M.	T. K. K.	25, Jan.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan etc.	Persia M.	T. K. K.	31, Jan.
San Francisco	E. of Japan	C. P. R.	2, Feb.
San Francisco	China	C. M. S. S.	9, Feb.
San Francisco	Tjisondari	J.C.J.L.	1, Feb.
San Francisco	Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	15, Feb.
San Francisco	Monteagle	C. P. R.	16, Feb.
San Francisco	E. of Russia	C. P. R.	24, Feb.
San Francisco	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	29, Feb.
San Francisco	Dairen M.	T. K. K.	3, Mar.
San Francisco	Anjo M.	T. K. K.	11, Mar.
San Francisco	Karimoon	J.C.J.L.	13, Mar.
San Francisco	Tjikembang	J.C.J.L.	11, Apr.
San Francisco	China	C. M. S. S.	14, Apr.

AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Empire	G. L. Co.	12, Jan.
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Australian Ports via Manila	Changsha	B. & S.	21, Jan.
Australian Ports via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	31, Jan.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Aldenharn	G. L. Co.	23, Feb.
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Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haitan	D. L. Co.	23, Dec.
Shanghai	Shantung	B. & S.	23, Dec.
Shanghai Moji & Kobe	Bombay	N. Y. K.	24, Dec.
Manila	Yuen-sang	J. M. Co.	24, Dec.
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Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Colombo M.	N. Y. K.	25, Dec.
Singapore, Calcutta etc.	Kaga M.	N. Y. K.	25, Dec.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Tean	B. & S.	28, Dec.
Batavia	Titaroom	J.C.J.L.	28, Dec.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haimun	J. M. Co.	28, Dec.
Singapore	Foohsing	J. M. Co.	28, Dec.
Shanghai	Tjikembang	J.C.J.L.	29, Dec.
Singapore via Amoy & Swatow	S. Jacob	J.C.J.L.	30, Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Namsang	J. M. Co.	30, Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Porkos	P. & O.	31, Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Atsuta M.	N. Y. K.	31, Dec.
Singapore	Kamsang	J. M. Co.	31, Dec.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	31, Dec.
Sandakan	Mausang	J. M. Co.	31, Dec.
Singapore & Bombay	Penang M.	N. Y. K.	3, Jan.
Batavia	Tjikwang	J.C.J.L.	3, Jan.
Belawan Deli (Medan)	Van S.	J.C.J.L.	4, Jan.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Ytham	Nellore	P. & O.	7, Jan.
Kobe	Tibodas	J.C.J.L.	9, Jan.
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The I. C. S. N. M. YUMKANG for Manila leave for Cebu to-morrow morning the 24th December.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Standard Am. M. S. 894, O. Johnson, 15th Dec.—Saigon, Rice—T. & Co.

Kashing, Br. M. 1143, Bogen, 14th Dec.—Shanghai, 10th Dec. Gen.—Order.

Telamachin, Br. M. 1340, A. Fraser, 16th Dec.—Saigon, 17th Dec. Gen.—Chikina.

Fanning, Br. M. 1408, H. S. Malin, 17th Dec.—Saigon, 10th Dec. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Palho, Br. M. 1122, A. Tucker, 17th Dec.—Amoy, 15th Dec. Gen.—B. & S.

Middleham Castle, Br. M. 29, G. G. Smith, 18th Dec.—Singapore, 10th Dec. Ballast—D. & Co.

Hongkong, Br. M. 733, A. Marguerite, 18th Dec.—Haiphong, 16th Dec. Gen.—A. R. Marty.

Tungah, Br. M. 1121, G. Cornelissen, 20th Dec.—Swatow, 19th Dec. Rice—T. & Co.

Hunan, Br. M. 1143, Wm. McDonald, 20th Dec.—Wichu, 15th Dec. Rice—B. & S.

Saiyo Maru, Jap. M. 6362, W. G. T. S. F. Mar. 21st Dec.—San Francisco, 20th Nov. Gen.—T. K. K.

Yuen-sang, Br. M. 1755, W. M. Minney, 21st Dec.—Manila, 18th Dec. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Haitan, Br. M. 1183, J. W. Evans, 22nd Dec.—Swatow, 21st Dec. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Tungahing, Br. M. 1177, Hussey, 21st Dec.—Saigon, 15th Dec. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Daijin Maru, Jap. M. 1075, J. Saito, 22nd Dec.—Swatow, 15th Dec. Gen.—O.S.K.

VESSELS DUE.

Agency.	Vessel's Name.	Tonnage.	Date Due.
J. M. & Co.	Mausang		Dec. 23
J. M. & Co.	Cheongshing		Dec. 23
B. & S.	Hyson	6,608	Dec. 23
B. & S.	Pdnam	4,543	Dec. 24
J.C.J.L.	Tjikembang		Dec. 24
N. Y. K.	Kaga Maru	12,000	Dec. 24
J. M. & Co.	Namsang		Dec. 25
J.C.J.L.	Tjikembang		Dec. 26
N. Y. K.	Atsuta Maru	16,000	Dec. 27
N. Y. K.	Kashima Maru	21,000	Dec. 29
P. & O.	Nankin		Dec. 29
J.C.J.L.	Tjikembang		Dec. 29
B. & S.	Heleneus	7,335	Dec. 29
J.C.J.L.	Tjikembang		Dec. 31
S. T. & Co.	Kashimba	4,104	Jan. 1
P. & O.	Nellore		Jan. 1
N. Y. K.	Penang Maru	8,000	Jan. 1
J. M. & Co.	Kutsang		Jan. 1
N. Y. K.	Sado Maru	6,227	Jan. 2
P. & O.	Kashmir		Jan. 2
J.C.J.L.	Tibodas		Jan. 4
B. & S.	Knight, Companion	7,453	Jan. 4
J.C.J.L.	Arakan		Jan. 7
G. L. & Co.	Eastern	3,586	Jan. 7
T. K. K.	Persia Maru	9,000	Jan. 7
P. & O.	Wonsara		Jan. 9
N. Y. K.	Hitachi Maru	6,557	Jan. 13
P. & O.	Novara		Jan. 13
N. Y. K.	Nikko Maru	9,600	Jan. 13
T. K. K.	Chiyo Maru	22,000	Jan. 14
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,774	Jan. 15
B. & S.	Changsha	2,269	Jan. 16
N. Y. K.	Awa Maru	6,309	Jan. 16
N. Y. K.	Shidzuka Maru		Jan. 16
N. Y. K.	Suwa Maru	21,000	Jan. 26
P. & O.	Kashmir		Jan. 27
P. & O.	Nellore		Jan. 27
P. & O.	Namur	6,694	Jan. 29
G. L. & Co.	Aldenharn	3,808	Jan. 30
P. & O.	Nore		Feb. 5
J.C.J.L.	Tjisondari		Feb. 7
T. K. K.	Tenyo Maru	22,000	Feb. 7
N. Y. K.	Atsuta Maru		Feb. 9
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,574	Feb. 11
P. & O.	Nankin		Feb. 12
N. Y. K.	Aki Maru		Feb. 13
P. & O.	Mongara		Feb. 14
N. Y. K.	Tango Maru		Feb. 16
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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

SECOND EXTRA

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23 1915.

TO-DAYS LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

TWELVE HUNDRED GERMAN PRISONERS.

December 22, 5.20 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, the communiqué says that yesterday's attack enabled the French to extend their positions on the slopes east of Hartmannswillerkopf, and 1,200 Germans have now been taken prisoners.

THE MESOPOTAMIAN CAMPAIGN.

OUR TOTAL CASUALTIES.

December 22, 5.20 p.m.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain stated that the casualties in Mesopotamia up to the 18th inst. were 1,127, including 200 dead, of whom 49 died from disease.
General Nixon was not at Kut-el-Amara. General Townshend yesterday reported that the night was quiet.

SHANGHAI BOMB OUTRAGE.

Second Attempt on "Asiatic Daily News" Office.

As stated in the *Telegraph's* Shanghai correspondent's wire of Monday, the offices of the *Asiatic Daily News*, Shanghai, which were the object of a dastardly outrage on September 11, of this year with tragic results, were the scene of another outrage on December 18—fortunately, on this occasion, with no loss of life. Shortly before 9 p.m. says the *N. C. Daily News*, the Sikh policeman on duty in Shantung Road, heard a loud report, followed by the shattering of glass. At the time he was treading his feet almost immediately beneath the verandah of the premises occupied by the *Asiatic Daily News*, and the Central Police Station was at once notified.

All that could be ascertained was to the effect that the explosion had been caused by a bomb, presumably dropped from an upper window of the premises on to the verandah of the first floor. Upwards of eight windows and shutters were shattered, and had the editor and manager been seated at their desks there would undoubtedly have been loss of life, or severe injuries.

As it happened, the explosion occurred at a time when there was no one in the vicinity of the verandah and consequently there was no one killed or injured.

Later a Chinese was charged with being concerned in the bomb attack.

Mr. K. E. Newman appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Munro watched the case on behalf of the Chinese Government.

Mr. Newman said that the man had already been charged with being in unlawful possession of a Municipal Police pistol. At the hearing of that case evidence had been given of the finding of a paper upon the defendant relating to a certain change of government and what was to be done when the change took place. In a statement the defendant had admitted being a prominent revolutionary, and had been in receipt of money from Japan. He admitted that he was a member of the Tung Meng-hui, but denied that he had anything to do with the bomb case.

Evidence was given in support of the charge by a Chinese in custody in connection with the affair, and Mr. Grant Jones in delivering judgment said:—

UP TO THE MINUTE.

Closing prices.
Cement—\$19.70, buyers.
Indos—\$165, buyers.
Sugars—\$127½, buyers.
Donglas—\$10½, buyers.

The Salamis.
According to wireless information, the s.s. *Salamis*, bound from the Cape to Hongkong via Mauritius, has had a breakdown, as a result of which she will not reach port until to-morrow. She was due here on Monday last. She was two days ahead of time at Singapore, but encountered bad weather off the Paracels and developed engine trouble, which reduced her speed to six knots.

I wish to say at once, in order that people in this Settlement may clearly understand the position of the Court, that if this person were a resident of the International Settlement we should hand him over to the Chinese Authorities on his own admission, or, if he had not made this admission, on evidence which showed to our satisfaction that there was reasonable ground to associate him criminally with the movements of the revolutionary party. But this man is not a resident of the Settlement: he has been handed over to us by the French Authorities and the question before the Court is whether the prisoner is guilty of the charge preferred against him, the charge of conspiring to explode a bomb on the premises of the *Asiatic Daily News*. If we do not find him guilty of that charge, it will plainly be our duty to restore him to the custody of the French Police. We do, however, find him guilty, and in accordance with the rule which we have made that where a person is charged with a breach, within the jurisdiction, of the criminal law of this country, he may, if the Court thinks fit in the interests of justice and after a *prima facie* case has been established against him, be handed over to the proper Chinese Authorities for trial, we now direct that he be so delivered up to the Authorities at the Arsenal. The prisoner is to be taken, in the custody of an officer of this Court, to the French Authorities for completion of their record, and on his return the order of rendition is to be carried out.

SHANGHAI SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. A. L. Anderson & Co.'s Weekly Share Circular (Shanghai, December 18) is as under:—

There has been less business doing during the past week, and this is due to the shadow of the approaching settlement, which while of no great dimensions, owing to the fact that the majority of members still refuse "forward" orders, is of sufficient magnitude to make the "market" "cast before," 1½ in the market. This, much more than the slight fall in London prices is the reason for the easier situation in Shanghai, where buying orders are being held over in hopes of bargain prices. The weakness in Cottons, long foretold in previous issues, is more apparent, and "Long foretold, long last." General Securities have not evinced any feature calling for comment. To-day's opening rate for T/T on London was 2/6½; the dollar rate being 73.

Debentures.—The French Municipal Loan noticed last week, closed on 15th inst. but, so far, no allotments have been published. The drop in exchange is in favour of this market, but while a few buying orders come to hand, no general interest is shown.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank's interest has been evinced and one \$825 leave the price nominal. Cathays. A sale was recorded at 2.30 for ordinary, and probably more shares could be placed at this, but the combination of shares offer at 9½.

Marine Insurance.—A somewhat easier feeling all round. North China, after sales at 182½, offer at 181 with private sales at 180. Yangtze's are still on the market at \$250, and Unions and Cantons are seeking buyers at quotation.

Mining.—Chinese Engineering. The meeting was held in London yesterday, when accounts slightly better than last year were submitted and a final of 5 per cent (making 10 per cent for the year) was passed. Philippines have ruled easier and 3½ fails to attract buyers.

Wharves and Godowns.—In fear of less favourable accounts than last year Hongkew's offered throughout the week and a sale at 82½ still left the market in the hands of sellers.

Land and Hotels.—Anglo-French are still wanted at 104½. Investments sold at 107 and close nominal. Centrals have buyers at \$61 without business being reported.

Cotton.—The Ewo meeting was held on 18th inst. in his speech the Chairman said: "I regret to say that since the end of August trade generally in yarn and cloth has left a great deal to be desired, and at the moment the future outlook is causing our General Managers grave concern, so much so that it may be found necessary to resort to short time"—"the growth in the districts surrounding Shanghai was a partial failure and indications point to the local mills having to import large quantities of foreign cotton"—"Owing to a small crop in America, cotton prices the world over are high, but I do not think we can reasonably anticipate any relief in the cost of our raw material in the near future."

Rubbers.—The forward demand in the London produce market keeps very firm, and we hear of several companies having concluded bargains in their produce for next year's delivery at prices sufficient to guarantee satisfactory accounts for a year hence. Senawangs. A third instalment of 10 per cent. has been declared, payable on 17th proximo.

Miscellaneous.—No changes worthy of note. Constructions still in demand at 90½, Telephone steady at 98, but Gas weak at 22½.

THE MURDER OF ADMIRAL TSENG.

Alleged Accomplices Wanted by Chinese.

At Shanghai last Friday at the Mixed Court, Mr. Fessenden mentioned the case of a Chinese who was held by the police on an allegation of complicity in the assassination of Admiral Tseng.

Mr. E. E. Newman appeared for the police and Mr. G. Munro for the Chinese Government.

Mr. Fessenden said that according to his information his client was in the custody of the French Police under suspicion of being connected with the bomb case. The matter had been investigated by the Police and he understood that there was no charge against him.

Mr. Munro, in answer to a question by the Assessor, said that if the Police did not want to charge the man the Government did. They would charge him with complicity in the murder of Admiral Tseng.

Mr. Fessenden said that by some arrangement, the details of which he did not know, his client was in the custody of the French Police and about to be released, when he was handed over to the Municipal Police. Investigations were made by the Police Department and sufficient evidence was not found by them to warrant a charge being brought against him. The position was, now, that the prisoner was being held upon an undertaking that if the Municipal Police did not want him he should be handed back to the French Police. He claimed that a charge should be preferred against the man, or he should be handed back.

The Assessor.—If the charge is one of complicity in the murder of Admiral Tseng then the proper venue for the trial is here. If counsel for the Police and the Chinese Government would agree between themselves that the Court would know what to do.

Mr. Munro said that he wished to prefer a charge and agreed to let Mr. Fessenden have a copy of it by to-day.

On this understanding the case was adjourned.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D., state:—

Joined.
Gunner F. G. Samways joined the Corps on 22. 12. 15, allotted Corps No. 1851 and posted to No. 2 Section Artillery Battery.

Leave.
Pte. A. M. Cowie is granted leave of absence from 23.12.15 to 13.1.16.

Parades.
Parade for Friday, 24th instant Nil.

Civil Service Company.
In future the Civil Service Co. will parade at 5.15 p.m. at Headquarters on Wednesday (instead of Tuesday) commencing on Wednesday 29th inst. All existing exemptions from the weekly parade are hereby cancelled. The undermentioned members have been appointed to the Company: Shooting Committee, Sergt. Bullock, Corp. Vergette, LeOpt. Edmonds, LeOpt. Clarke, Pte. Douglas and Pte. Ralston. The first meeting of the Committee will be held after parade on Wednesday 29th inst.

Detail.
Gun Club Hill, Kowloon:—

On duty until morning of 26th instant—H. K. V. R.

P. of W. Camp, Kowloon:—

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THE LATE SIR THOMAS JACKSON.

Tribute by His Excellency.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon, His Excellency the Governor said:—We meet here to-day under the shadow cast by one of the great dead, upon the institution upon which he served so nobly, upon the Colony of which he was the greatest citizen it has ever possessed, and upon the hearts of the many friends in every station of life who had the privilege of his acquaintance. Sir Thomas Jackson, with the brilliant abilities by which the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank was raised under his care from small beginnings to the splendid position it now occupies in the financial world, combined a kindness of heart which endeared him to all who came in contact with him. He was the unofficial adviser of successive Governors of this Colony, and in his generosity he dispensed his counsel to all who cared to ask for it. In my younger days I have more than once had recourse, not in vain, to that fountain of wisdom. He was in very truth a man of crystal mind, pure and innocent of guile as that of a child and of a heart of pure gold. His friendship was indeed a priceless gift from heaven for those who were honoured by it. I beg to move the following resolution:—That this Council desires to place on record its deep sorrow at the death of Sir Thomas Jackson, a former member of the Legislative Council in recognition of the magnificent services of the deceased to the Colony and British trade, and the heartfelt sympathy with his widow and family in their bereavement.

The resolution was carried in silence, all members standing.

His Excellency further moved:—That as a mark of respect to this great man, after the questions which are on the agenda paper have been answered, the Council do adjourn until Thursday next.

This resolution was also agreed to.

Another Batch of Griffins Drawn For.
Fourteen further subscription griffins, just arrived from the North, were drawn for at the Jockey Club stables this afternoon. They were as follows:—

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29 (brown)—Mr. Ellis Kadoorie.

30 (chestnut)—Mr. J. Johnstone.

31 (grey)—Mr. H. Percy Smith.

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39 (grey)—Mr. P. Kremer.

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We have received to-day the programme of the forthcoming races which are to be held under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club on February 21, 22, 23, and 26.

CRICKET.

The following will represent K.C.C. against H.K.C.C. on Christmas Day and Boxing Day on the H.K.C.C. ground commencing at 2.15 p.m. on the 25th inst. and 10 a.m. on the 26th inst.—Major Robertson (Capt.), K. Macaskill, J. P. Robinson, E. R. Reed, H. H. Taylor, A. A. Olston, J. V. Bege, R. P. Thersfield, W. Kay, Dr. C. Forsyth and L. M. Whyte.

KNBZZLEMENT.

Chinese Story of Ill-treatment by Police.

A Chinese, charged with embezzling \$500 from a shop-keeper at 80, Bonham Street East, was brought up before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court this morning.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing, who appeared for the prosecutor, said he had no evidence to offer on this charge.

It was stated that the police wished for the case to go on.

The manager of the shop said that the defendant was sent to collect \$500 from one of the Canton boats, the *Charles Hardouin*, but did not return till some time after, when he did come back, he said that the money had been stolen in Wing Lok Street. Afterwards witness was told by the Police that the money had been recovered.

Evidence was also given by the companions of the ship and the Police Court interpreter.

Defendant said that after he had received the money he put it in his pocket. When in Wing Lok Street he was stopped by a man who said he was a fellow-shipman. After they had parted, he found that the money was missing. When at the Police Station he was assaulted in order to "speak the truth." He was seized by the throat and almost choked. He was so badly assaulted that he would have admitted, if it had been put to him, that he had committed a robbery at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. He admitted that he had given the money to another man, because he was afraid of being assaulted again.

Inspector M. O'Sullivan said that as far as he knew there was no truth in defendant's story about the assault.

Mr. Wood passed sentence of six months' hard labour.

MORAL GERMANY.

The Result of Culture.

There is some very interesting reading in the last number of the *Fortnightly Review*. One article in particular is well worth perusal and that is "German Logic and its Results," by Mr. A. E. P. R. Weirall. It is a fascinating study of certain aspects of Teutonicism and if not entirely convincing gives rise to much thought. Incidentally, the writer maintains that in regard to sins of the flesh and to the practice of vice, German civilization has developed a licence which our own civilization tends to restrict. "There is no nation on earth which so richly deserves the fate of the notorious city of Palestine, nor one which is more boldly bestial. In these matters Germany is corrupt through and through, and is proud of its corruption." That is a bold assertion, but here are some of the facts on which it is based. "The annals of the German divorce courts and courts of law reveal a state of affairs which would be inconceivable in other parts of the world; and the Teutonic mind believes this fact to be significant of its supreme culture. Vice is openly discussed by men and women in their drawing-rooms, and such scandals as that associated with the name of Eulenburg are of constant occurrence. Man, say the Germans, is born of human passion; then surely it is logical to admit their existence and their important role in life. It is a fact that in Germany there are some forty-three cases of rape recorded to every one case in England; twelve cases of incest to each one in England; five times as many illegitimate children; and twenty times as many petitions for divorce." That is the civilization that the Boche seeks to spread.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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COMMERCIAL

South Manchuria Railway.
The South Manchuria Railway Company is reported to be contemplating the inauguration of an iron and steel works in Manchuria.

Electrical Materials for Chwangtung.
Electrical material imported into Chwangtung for the quarter ended June 30, 1915, was valued at \$1,498 and for the same quarter in 1914 at \$1,979 being more than twice the value.

Overproduced Sugar Yield.
Brisbane, Nov. 8.—Mr. Easterly, general manager of the Sugar Experiment Stations, states that the approximate estimate of this season's yield of sugar in Queensland was 136,000 tons. Most of the sugar districts were suffering severely from drought.

An American-Chinese Bank.
Word has been received in Manila from reliable sources that the American-Chinese Banking Corporation has been organized in the United States and will establish banking institutions in the Orient.

According to reports received from some of the Boston incorporators, enthusiasm for this new financial venture has been somewhat dimmed by the political situation in China and the withdrawal of the Pacific Mail steamship company. Matters have progressed so far, however, that the new banking corporation will commence operations in the near future.

Currency Reform for China.
Satisfactory progress in the redemption of paper currency in the Provinces of Kweichow and Szechuan has been reported to the Ministry of Finance, says the Peking Daily News. Altogether eight series of notes of various denominations ranging from \$10 to 10 cents have been withdrawn and redeemed through the agency of the Bank of China. The total value of the notes so withdrawn from circulation amounts to the sum of \$119,000. The work of redemption, was conducted under the supervision of an official delegated by the provincial financial commissioner and was carried out to the complete satisfaction of the commercial public. The third instalment of the redemption of the military notes was also accomplished in Szechuan. \$400,000 worth of such notes have been withdrawn and were destroyed in public. In face of all difficulties currency reform is gradually being effected throughout the country, as proven in the case of the above two reports from the provinces of Kweichow and Szechuan.

Canadian Wheat Crop.
Alberta's wheat crop, which is now practically all cut, is according to a statement of the Deputy Minister of Agriculture of the Province, the largest and best in the history of the Province, and is worth nearly \$4,000,000. This compares with a value of slightly more than \$3,000,000 last year. While Alberta is a mixed farming province, and in a measure owes its prosperity to this fact, more cereals have been grown this year than ever before, and wheat forms the larger proportion of the crop. In some districts, even in the northern parts of the province and in the Edmonton district, farmers have devoted almost all their acreage to wheat. In past years some of the Alberta wheat crop has been used for feed. Now, however, almost the entire crop will be sold and exported from the province. The remarkably good crops of oats and other feed grains are contributory factors in this situation. Another reason for the very large wheat crop is the highest yield per acre. The farmers of the province are eminently satisfied with the results of their year's work, and the prosperity which it means for them is being reflected in improved economic conditions all round.

The Klamath River Safety.
The Klamath River Safety, which was organized on the Goodwill, has been lately reconstituted and proceeded to Los Angeles.

SHARE REPORT COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

STOCK	Today's Closing Price	Number of Shares	Par Value	High	Low	1914	1915	1916	1917	Last Dividend and Date
Banks.										
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	279 1/2	120,000	\$25	all	355	149	700	Oct. 1915	div. 780 a. div.	Final of \$4 a/c 1915. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914. Final of 15 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Marine Insurance Co. Ltd.	10,000	10,000	\$100	39	330	Dec.	305	Oct.	1915	Final of \$4 a/c 1915. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914. Final of 15 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
North China Ins. Co. Ltd.	10,000	10,000	\$10	36	145	May	138	Jan.	1915	Final of \$4 a/c 1915. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914. Final of 15 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Union Ins. Society of Canton	12,000	12,000	\$100	100	847 1/2	April	700	Oct.	1915	Final of \$4 a/c 1915. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914. Final of 15 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	12,000	12,000	\$100	60	270	April	1915	Jan.	1915	Final of \$4 a/c 1915. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914. Final of 15 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Fire Insurance.										
China Fire Ins. Co. Ltd.	30,000	30,000	\$100	20	180	July	140	Oct.	1915	Final of \$4 a/c 1915. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914. Final of 15 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co. Ltd.	8,000	8,000	\$100	50	395	Feb.	368	April	1915	Final of \$4 a/c 1915. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914. Final of 15 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Shipping.										
Douglas Steamship Co. Ltd.	20,000	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar.	27 1/2	Nov.	94	44 for year ending 30.6.15
Hongkong S.S. Co. Ltd.	80,000	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4	Jan.	23	Dec.	36	Final of 40 cts. making 30 cts. for year ending 31.12.14. Final of 12 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. Ltd.	60,000	60,000	\$5	all	79	Jan.	50	Sept.	162	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Shanghai & Trading Co. Ltd.	2,797.50	2,797.50	\$1	all	106 1/2	Feb.	70 1/2	Sept.	1915	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	40,000	40,000	\$10	all	43	Mar.	40	Nov.	38	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Refineries.										
China S. Refining Co. Ltd.	30,000	30,000	\$100	all	38 1/2	Feb.	70	Nov.	194	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
London S. Refining Co. Ltd.	7,000	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan.	17	Dec.	45	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Mining.										
Kailash Mining Admin. Co. Ltd.	1,000,000	1,000,000	\$2	all	41 1/2	Feb.	33 1/2	Dec.	38 1/2	Interim of 1 p.c. account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5.) 12 for 1915
Reab Australian Gold Mining Co. Ltd.	300,000	300,000	\$1	all	3.10	Jan.	190	Nov.	4	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Tromps Mines Ltd.	169,000	169,000	\$1	all	39 1/2	Feb.	196	Nov.	32 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Ural-Caspian	796,000	796,000	\$1	all	56 1/2	Feb.	21 1/2	Nov.	37 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Docks, Wharves and Godowns etc.										
Hongkong & S.W. Co. Ltd.	30,000	30,000	\$30	all	89	Jan.	73	Nov.	81 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong & W. P. Co. Ltd.	30,000	30,000	\$50	all	77	Jan.	53	Oct.	81 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Shanghai Dock & Wharf Co. Ltd.	35,000	35,000	\$100	all	60	Jan.	50	Dec.	63 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Shanghai & W. P. Co. Ltd.	38,000	38,000	\$100	all	109	Jan.	82 1/2	Dec.	85 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.										
Anglo French Lands	13,000	13,000	\$100	all	128	July	120	Dec.	91	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Hotel Co. Ltd.	30,000	30,000	\$50	all	128	July	120	Dec.	116	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Land Investment Co. Ltd.	50,000	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July	98	Nov.	111 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong & W. P. Co. Ltd.	150,000	150,000	\$10	all	94	Jan.	77	Nov.	71	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Land & Building Co. Ltd.	5,000	5,000	\$50	all	45 1/2	Jan.	44	Feb.	40	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Shanghai Lands	78,000	78,000	\$50	all	98	Dec.	89	Oct.	106	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
West Point Building Co. Ltd.	12,000	12,000	\$50	all	73	Jan.	66	Feb.	70	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Central Estates	10,000	10,000	\$100	all	103	Jan.	103	Nov.	100	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Canal & Waterways.										
Soo-Cotton S. & W. Co. Ltd.	20,000	20,000	\$50	all	138	July	125	May	180	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Kung Yik	75,000	75,000	\$10	all	144	Jan.	11	Mar.	17	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Leau Kung Mow	8,000	8,000	\$100	all	110	Feb.	70	May	89	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Shanghai Cotton	40,000	40,000	\$50	all	135	Feb.	70	Nov.	165	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Yangtze River.										
Yangtze River	175,000	175,000	\$5	all	64	Jan.	64	Nov.	64	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Islands.										
China Borneo Company Ltd.	10,000	10,000	\$10	all	12	May	10	Dec.	10	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
China Light & Power Co. Ltd.	50,000	50,000	\$5	all	490	July	4	April	474	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Do. (Spec. shares)	50,000	50,000	\$1	all	9	Jan.	7	Nov.	10 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
China Prov. L. & M. Co. Ltd.	125,000	125,000	\$10	all	9	Jan.	35	Aug.	34	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	40,000	40,000	\$1	all	6	Jan.	35	Aug.	34	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Green Island Cement Co. Ltd.	400,000	400,000	\$10	all	690	Jan.	5	Dec.	11	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd.	60,000	60,000	\$10	all	49	Jan.	36	Nov.	45	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Ice Co. Ltd.	6,500	6,500	\$25	all	217 1/2	July	174	Dec.	190	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co. Ltd.	80,000	80,000	\$10	all	25	June	22	Apr.	46 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Hongkong Tramway Co. Ltd.	325,000	325,000	\$5	all	73 1/2	July	7 1/2	Feb.	590	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Langkats.										
Peak Tramway Co. Ltd. (Old)	25,000	25,000	\$10	all	104 1/2	Jan.	94	June	10	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Do. (New)	50,000	50,000	\$10	all	83	Jan.	75	Dec.	81	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Philippines.										
H. Price & Co. Ltd.	12,000	12,000	\$10	all	10	Jan.	5	Dec.	10	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Societe des Papiers et Papier	13,200	13,200	\$50	all	10	Jan.	5	Dec.	10	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Series du Tonkin	20,000	20,000	\$5	all	500	June	4	Nov.	34	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Steam Laundry Co. Ltd.	27,723	27,723	\$10	all	92 1/2	Feb.	17	Jan.	18	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Union Water-boat Co. Ltd.	90,000	90,000	\$10	all	84	April	690	Dec.	650	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Watson and Co. Ltd.	91,000	91,000	\$7	all	94 1/2	Jan.	64 1/2	Dec.	7	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
William Powell, Limited.	11,000	11,000	\$7	all	94 1/2	Jan.	64 1/2	Dec.	7	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
S. C. Morning Post	6,000	6,000	\$25	all	30	June	22	Apr.	46 1/2	Final of 5 p.c. for 1914. Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1915 and Interim of \$30 for 1914. Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1915 & Int. of \$3 for 1914

LATEST RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

Anglo-Java Estates Ltd. Tla 12.70 sellers.	Ayer Panas (Straits) \$6.80 buy.	Kempas (Straits) \$4.40 buyers.	Sandycrofts (Straits) \$7.00 buyers.
Anglo-Dutch Tla 6 sellers.	Balgownie (Straits) \$3 1/2 buy.	Malaka Pindas (Straits) \$1.90 buyers.	Pajam (Straits) \$13.00 buyers.
Linggis 14/8 buyers 15/6 sellers.	Changkat Serdangs (Straits) \$4.75 buyers.	Malakoffs (Straits) \$3.45 buyers.	New Serendah \$2.40 buyers.
Nordlands 15/6 buyers 18/9 sellers.			

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T/T Demand	110 15/16	Demand Bombay 143	On Saigon	5 1/2	Sovereign \$10.50 nom.
30 d/s	110 15/16	T/T Calcutta	On Bangkok	5 1/2	Bar Silver ready 26 15/16
60 d/s	111 1/8	Demand Calcutta 143	Buying		forward
4 m/s	111 3/16	Demand Manila 90 1/2 Nom.	4 m/s L/C	111 5/8	
T/T Shanghai	75	T/T San Francisco 44 1/4	4 m/s D.P.	111 3/4	
Exchange 30 d/s sight		Demand New York 47 1/2	5 m/s L/C	111 3/4	
T/T Singapore	81 1/4	T/T Java 108	30 d/s Sney & M	111 7/8	
T/T Japan	80 1/4	T/T Manila	30 d/s B. & M	111 7/8	
T/T India	74 3/4	Demand Germany	4 m/s B. & M	111 7/8	
Demand India	74 3/4	T/T France	4 m/s L/C	111 7/8	
		Demand France 26 1/2	4 m/s Sney & M	111 7/8	
			6 m/s L/C	111 7/8	

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